

Meeting Minutes
Council-Citizens Committee
Marina Park Design

Location: Council Chambers
9:00 a.m., Wednesday, May 7, 2008

1. **Welcome and Introduction** Chairman Selich convened the meeting at 9:00 a.m. The following persons were in attendance:

Committee Members

- Mayor Ed Selich (Chair)
- Council Member Michael Henn
- Tom Billings (Protect Our Parks)
- John Corrough (Harbor Commissioner)
- Bill Garrett (Parks, Beaches and Recreation Commissioner)
- Dave Lambert (American Legion Post 291)
- Billy Whitford (Rep. for sailing or rowing organization)
- Grace Dove (Neighborhood Rep.)

Committee Members Absent

- Council Member Don Webb
- Tom Olivas (Rep. for Girl Scout Council of Orange County)

City Staff

- Dave Kiff, Assistant City Manager
- Steve Badum, Public Works Director
- Dave Webb, Deputy Public Works Director
- Mark Reader, Public Works
- Rosalinh Ung, Planning Department
- Wes Morgan, Recreation and Senior Services Director
- Sean Levin, Recreation Superintendent
- Matt Lohr, Recreation Manager
- Kim Rieff, Department Assistant

Consultants

- Dan Herman, Rabben/Herman Design
- Tom Jewel, Rabben/Herman Design
- Tim Bundy, Bundy Finckel Architects
- Rick Finkel, Bundy Finckel Architects

Members of the public

- Chandler Bell
- Elliott and Elizabeth Bonn
- Carter Ford
- Joyce Ibbetson

- Beverly Lucas
- Craig Morissette
- Pam Murray
- Jon O'Hora
- Dolores Otting
- John Reynolds
- Tom Rossie

2. **Approve Minutes of Past Meetings (All)**

- The minutes from the meeting of February 27, 2008, were approved.

3. **Public Comment – Non Agenda Items**

No comments were offered.

4. **Update and Discussion Items:**

A. New Conceptual Drawings for the Park's Main Buildings

Chairman Selich said the City Council approved in concept the building design and instructed the Committee to look at reducing the height of the buildings down to the 35' feet height limit but allowing architectural features to penetrate the 35' feet height limit. The design team is working on a modification to the design that would meet the Council's direction.

Mr. Bundy and Mr. Herman gave a Power Point presentation. Refer to: <http://www.city.newport-beach.ca.us/marinapark/SchematicDesignPresentation> 5-7-08.

Mr. Bundy said they didn't modify the location of the buildings. The key element was adopting an iconic image and the primary objective was reducing the height of the building to the 35' feet height limitation. The buildings are adjusted to accommodate that. They also opened the gap between the buildings so the view opens more towards the bay upon approach.

Council Member Henn pointed out that the roof angle on the left-hand building was lowered as viewed from Balboa Blvd. Mr. Bundy replied the primary aspects were to reduce some of the roof planes. He said they also made a variation in the vertical classroom heights; they staggered the two buildings in the plan to further reduce the apparent scale along the waterside. The obvious element is the idea of providing a beacon lighthouse structure element just under 60 feet.

Mr. Bundy said they are researching a variety of materials for the building. We are pursuing the LEED Certification involving a variety of aspects from the selection of materials, orientation, and the variety of systems put into the building.

In response to Mr. Corrough, Ms. Ung said a presentation will be given to the Harbor Commission before the Planning Commission so the Harbor Commission's comments can be taken to the Planning Commission.

B. Update from Recreation on Sailing Program Ideas

Mr. Morgan said the subcommittee met to reaffirm the purpose of the marina and decided that it's for visiting boaters and yachtsmen; however, an ongoing review would be done

systematically season-by-season. In addition to that staff needs to continue to define the relationship between the marina, the Sailing Center and the Community Center. He said staff needs to pursue an understanding of what to do community-wide in terms of providing programming and opportunities for partnerships for funding, especially with the visiting marina which is seasonal. Staff will be scheduling some field trips to view similar programs that the City might be interested in.

Mr. Levin said he's going to Mission Bay in San Diego because they have a similar program model the City might be interested in. During the summer there will be in-house programs and on the weekend where there is opportunity for partnership. San Diego has partnerships with three Universities. For the Community Center, a plan is being created to show typical programming, hours and revenue streaming.

C. Update on Current Design Development Activities – previously discussed.

5. Adjourn & Set Next Meeting

The next meeting is scheduled for June 25th at 9:00 a.m.

In response to Mr. Selich, Mr. Herman said the landscape plan, plant species, and sizes will be reviewed as well as the progress on the buildings and basin design.

The meeting was adjourned at 9:45 a.m.